Dr. Praetorius, great man and visionary "part of the neighborhood" that he was, got POLYPS and immediately communicated the fact to his subordinates, anticipating the day when the SCHIZOPHRENIA of "ordinary mortals" would be treated just like "his" POLYPS.

Different strokes for different folks - ditto TREATMENTS.

However, as far as $CAMH was concerned, SCHIZOPHRENIA was ALREADY CANCER, the big MONEY-MAKER that COULDN'T be BEAT....

Nobody seemed to know what it was....

There would NEVER be a day when anything about JOHNNY would be treated the same as even the SORE TOE of the CEO of $CAMH....

Uncle $CAMH "looked forward to the day" - why not TODAY, right NOW?! - when SCHIZOPHRENIC would be the same as BLACK or GAY - or JEWISH?!

Like YOU but NOT you - OLD POLYPS - that would be asking too much, he meant....

Your TREATment, or MINE?

Texts preserved in the Archives of Ontario (Provincial Secretary's Correspondence, RG 8-5, W.D. McPherson Files 1916-1919, Letter from Dr. Harvey Clare to Inspector W.W. Dunlop of January 15, 1918, Container 100, Toronto Hospital for the Insane, Reception Hospital Folder.) indicate the close relationship the Reception Hospital was to have had with the Toronto Asylum, and the conditions that contributed to its early closure.

It is evident from these that, while Clarke and others exploited the Reception Hospital as they had the Asylum earlier, its purpose -- unclear and contradictory as it was -- was still different from the clinic's Clarke had in mind. At least a part of the problem seems to have been accommodating low and middle-class patients under the same roof, or indeed, in the same room.

While accommodating together the different disorders that afflicted the patients was hard enough, accommodating different classes was what really upset the officials:

> About one half the patients coming into this Hospital are women and men from good families, who have been accustomed to lives of refinement. In the Reception Hospital we have treated many women from the best homes in Toronto, and the purpose of my letter is to draw your attention to the almost impossible situation where we are compelled to recommend the Hospital to good, clean living, decent people, when we are admitting to the same room patients who will use the same bathroom and the same closet, and who are suffering from contagious diseases, such as, Syphilis, Gonorrhoea, Tuberculosis, Scabies, and all other forms of skin diseases.
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> (Dr. Harvey Clare to Inspector W.W. Dunlop of January 15, 1918)